

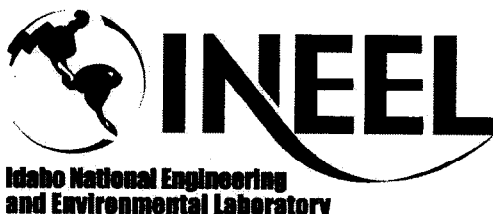
# **Engineering Design File**

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## **Staging, Storage, Sizing and Treatment Facility**

## **Access Road and Site Pavement Ballast Requirements**

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SUBTASK BALLAST REQUIREMENT - ACCESS ROAD & SITE PAVEMENT

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**SSSTF Access Road & Site Pavement Ballast Requirements**

SITE AREA INTEC BUILDING NO. \_\_\_\_\_ SSC IDENTIFICATION/EQUIPMENT NO. \_\_\_\_\_

## SUMMARY

This Engineering Design File (EDF) contains the calculations for the ballast requirements for the Staging, Storage, Sizing and Treatment Facility (SSSTF) access road and site pavement. The assumption used to calculate the ballast requirements are as follows:

- 1) Excavate soil down to the gravel interface.
- 2) The R-values used are:
  - R = 55 for the subgrade
  - R = 55 for the pit run gravel (per Craig Bean)
  - R = 80 for the crushed aggregate base
  - R = 80 for the plant mix
- 3) A medium vehicle classification
- 4) 150 commercial vehicles per day per lane

## Conclusions:

The minimum ballast required for the SSSTF access road and site pavement is 0.25 ft. of plantmix, 0.5 ft. of base, and 0.6 ft. of borrow. However, it is recommended to use 1.0 ft. minimum of borrow to comply with geometry requirements for a high profile in the case of snow buildup or flooding. Actual gravel borrow depth used will be greater than 1-ft. to match the design profile and the gravel interface.

## REFERENCES:

1. State of Idaho, Idaho Transportation Department Materials Manual

NPH PERFORMANCE CATEGORY (DOE-STD 1021) ☐ PC-0 ☐ PC-1 ☐ PC-2 ☐ PC-3 ☐ PC-4 ☒ Not Applicable

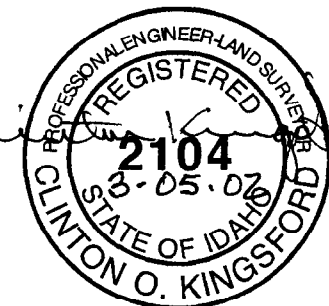
SAFETY CATEGORY (MCP-540) ☐ Safety Class ☐ Safety Significant ☒ Low Safety Consequence ☐ Consumer Grade ☐ Not Applicable

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**BALLAST REQUIREMENTS  
SSSTF ACCES ROAD & SITE PAVEMENT**

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  - b. Pit Run Gravel:  $R = 55$  (per Craig Bean)
  - c. Crushed Aggregate Base:  $R = 80$
  - d. Plantmix:  $R = 80$
3. Medium vehicle classification
4. 150 commercial vehicles per day per lane

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### II. TRAFFIC EVALUATIONS

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2. Calculations:

<b>Classification:</b>	Ref. 16-510.2	
	% of Commercial Vehicles Volume (Commercial Annual Daily Traffic (CADT))	
	Two Axle	Five Axle
<b>Medium</b>	50-70%	10-25%
		100% of CADT in each lane
<b>Commercial Vehicles per Day:</b>	150	(assumed)
<b>Traffic Index:</b>	9	
from Figure 16-510.2.2.1		

### III. DESIGN PAVEMENT BY R-VALUE

**Plant Mix R-Value** 80

Compute flexible pavement thickness:  $GE = 0.0032(TI)(100-R)$

Design adjustment for climatic factor:  $\text{Design Thickness} = R\text{-Value Thickness} * F$

$F = 1.05$  for Region 2 from Figure 16-510.5.1

$GE = 0.0032 * 9 * (100 - 80) * 1.05$

$GE = 0.605 \text{ ft}$

Calculate layer thickness by applying the substitution ratio for the plant mix

Substitution Ratio for plant mix = 1.8

$T = GE / \text{Substitution Ratio}$

$T = 0.61 / 1.8$

$T =$

0.3 ft plantmix

However, use 0.25 ft plantmix because this is a low volume road and the structural capacity is adequate by adding additional granular borrow.

**Base R-Value**

80

Compute flexible pavement thickness:

$$GE = 0.0032(TI)(100-R)$$

Design adjustment for climatic factor:

$$\text{Design Thickness} = \text{R-Value Thickness} * F$$

$$F = 1.05 \text{ for Region 2 from Figure 16-510.5.1}$$

$$GE = 0.0032 * 9 * (100 - 80) * 1.05$$

$$GE = 0.605 \text{ ft}$$

Calculate layer thickness by applying the substitution ratio for the base

Substitution Ratio for Base =

1

$$T = GE / \text{Substitution Ratio}$$

$$T = 0.605 / 1$$

$$T = 0.6 \text{ ft base}$$

**Pit-Run Gravel R-Value**

55

Compute flexible pavement thickness:

$$GE = 0.0032(TI)(100-R)$$

Design adjustment for climatic factor:

$$\text{Design Thickness} = \text{R-Value Thickness} * F$$

$$F = 1.05 \text{ for Region 2 from Figure 16-510.5.1}$$

$$GE = 0.0032 * 9 * (100 - 55) * 1.05$$

$$GE = 1.36 \text{ ft}$$

Calculate layer thickness by applying the substitution ratio for the pit-run gravel

Substitution Ratio for Pit-Run Gravel =

0.75

$$T = GE / \text{Substitution Ratio}$$

$$T = 1.36 / 0.75$$

$$T = 1.8 \text{ ft pit-run gravel}$$

The typical section is then composed of:

	0.25 ft plant mix pavement	* 1.8 =	0.5 ft GE
	0.6 ft crushed aggregate base	* 1.0 =	0.6 ft GE
+	<u>1.8 ft pit-run gravel</u>	* 0.75 =	<u>1.36 ft GE</u>
	2.7 ft actual total thickness		2.4 ft GE >> 1.36 ft

**Back Check**

Subgrade

R = 55

Must Strip 1 ft of Top Soil

TI = 9

$$GE = 0.0032(TI)(100-R)1.05$$

$$GE = 0.0032(9)(100-55)1.05$$

$$GE = 1.36 \text{ ft}$$

From Figure 16-510.3.2 GE = 1.30 therefore use 1.36 ft

1.36 ft GE required

Use 0.25 ft Plantmix x 1.8 = 0.45 ft GE

0.45 ft

Use 0.5 ft 3/4-inch crushed aggregate base = 0.50 ft GE

+ 0.5 ft

0.95 ft GE plantmix & base

Net GE

For Granular Borrow =  $0.32/0.75 =$

0.04 use 0.5 ft min.

Minimum ballast =

0.25 ft plantmix

0.50 ft base

+ 0.60 ft borrow

1.35 ft < 1.36 ft

However recommend 1.0 ft granular borrow as a minimum and it will be more than this to comply with geometry requirements such as high profile for snow and flooding.

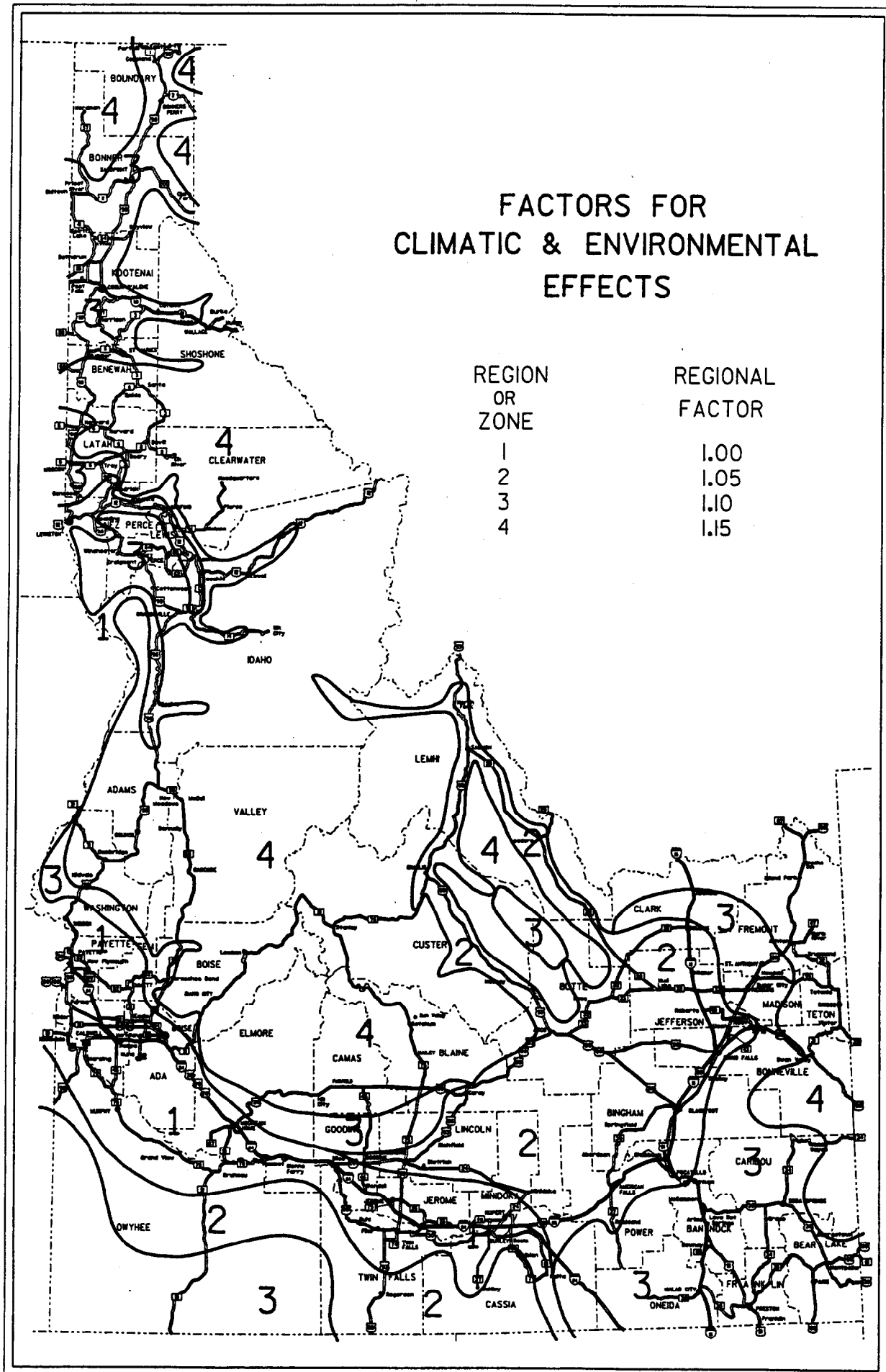
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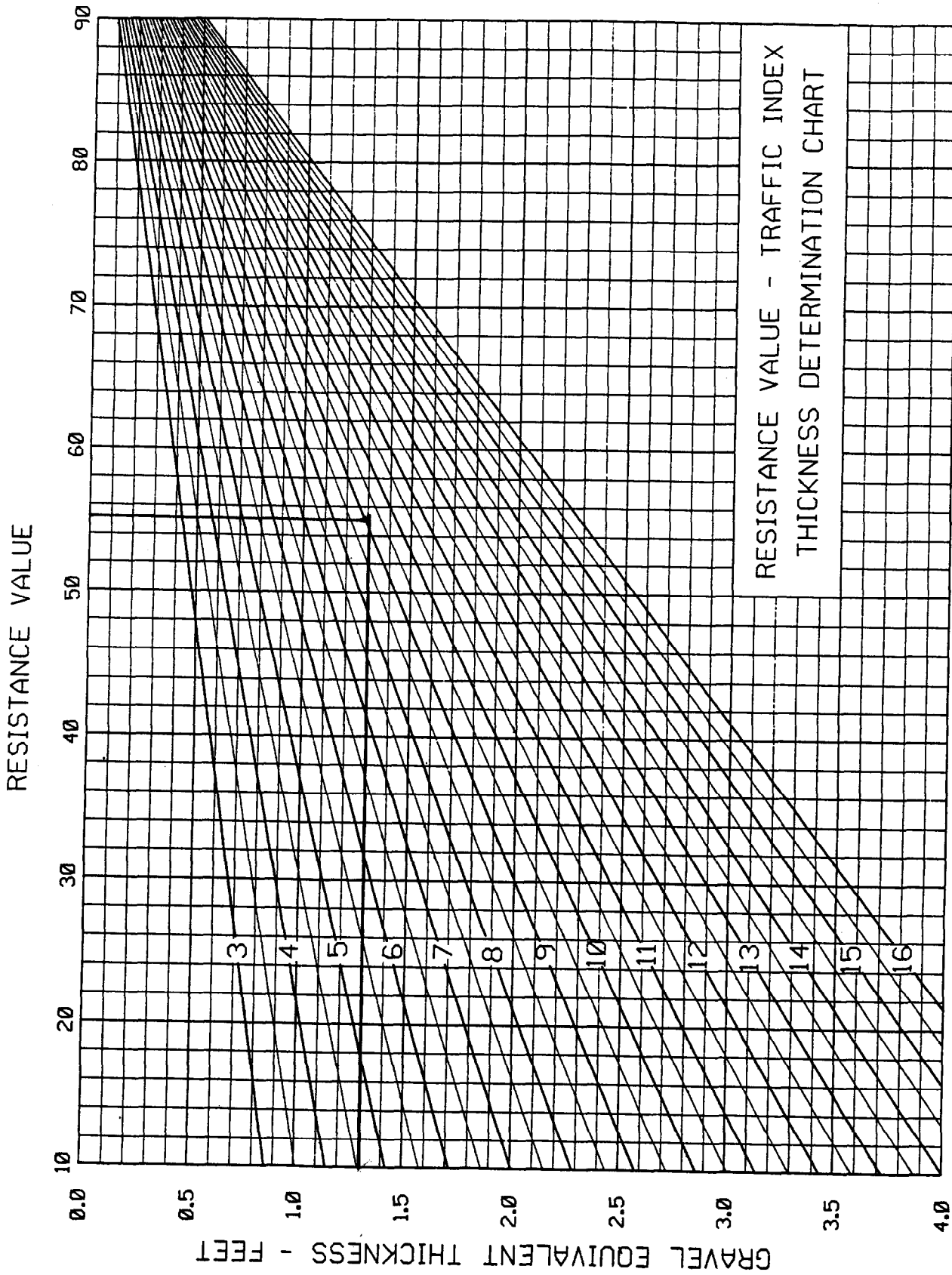
0.25 ft plantmix

0.50 ft base

+ 1.00 ft borrow

1.75 ft > 1.36 ft OK





THICKNESS [ EQUIVALENT GRAVEL ] FROM RESISTANCE VALUE AND TRAFFIC INDEX



**Addendum A**  
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The low, medium and high vehicle classifications for pavement design are criteria developed by the Idaho Transportation Department (ITD). These criteria are developed for various classes of highways. The low classification is for State and County secondary roads with the lowest truck volumes. The medium classification is for medium volume, primary type highways with higher truck volumes. The ITD Design Guide reserves the high classification for Interstate Highways with very large truck volumes. Each classification equates two axle trucks (dump trucks) and 5 axle trucks to 18,000-lb equivalent single axle loads (ESALs). Using this data and the soils classification data, ballast requirements are developed. The actual ballast or combined thickness of pavement layers exceeds the ballast requirements for the SSSTF project. On the last page of EDF 1913, 1.75 ft of gravel equivalent is listed as the actual ballast and 1.36 ft is listed as the required ballast requirement